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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON

September 27, 1951

MEMORANDUM FOR THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT:

Minimum Standards for the Classification, Transmission, and Handling, by Departments and Agencies of the Executive Branch, of Official Information Which Requires Safeguarding in the Interest of the Security of the United States

REFERENCES: A.

Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject, "Minimum Standards for the Handling and Transmission of Classified Information", dated August 6, 1951

Memo from the President to Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies on the subject, dated September 24, 1951

Paragraph 6 of the President's memorandum to the heads of executive departments and agencies with regard to the approved Executive Order on the subject (Reference B) directs "the National Security Council through its Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security to furnish advice and assistance to the Departments and agencies in connection with these regulations and to maintain a continuing review of the classification activities in every department or agency to insure uniform and proper application of these regulations, including declassification whenever possible."

Accordingly, copies of the pertinent documents have been transmitted to the Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security for appropriate action pursuant to the above directive.

> JAMES S. LAY, Jr. Executive Secretary

The Secretary of the Treasury cc:

The Attorney General

The Secretary of Commerce

The Director of Defense Mobilization The Director, Bureau of the Budget